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This report is one of several dealing with numerous locations in China being searched for guided missile or nuclear energy activity. Collateral information has reported the appearance of military engineer units in these areas. This report presents the results of a search in the area of Ma-Tou.

Ma-Tou  
36-28N 114-25E

Ma-Tou is located 225 nautical miles (nm) south-southwest of Pei-Ping, China on the main Pei-ping-Han-kow railroad. It is an important rail junction serving the large Feng-Feng coal fields, located approximately ten miles west of Ma-Tou. The principal activity in recent years in the Ma-Tou area appears to be new railroads and iron ore mines supplying the iron and steel plants in Han-tan and An-yang and increased coal mining activity in the Feng-Feng coal fields, (Figures 1 and 2).

There is no apparent construction activity in this area that has any missile or nuclear energy significance.

The following items of intelligence interest were noted in this search area.

1. Ma-Tou Coal Washing Plant - A large modern plant constructed with Soviet aid and techniques in 1957-1958, (Figure 3).
2. Han-Tan Coal Washing Plant - Located one nm southwest of this city, this modern plant was built in 1957-1959 and is similar to the one in Ma-Tou, (Figure 4).
3. Han-tan Iron and Steel Plant - A medium-sized plant, located on the southwest outskirts of the city. Reportedly, the construction of this plant started in 1958, (Figure 4).
4. Han-tan Thermal Power Plant - Located on the northeast outskirts of the city, this plant was constructed with Soviet aid in 1957-1958, (Figure 5).
5. An-Yang Iron and Steel Plant - Located two nm west of the city, this medium-sized plant was constructed in 1956-1960, (Figure 6).

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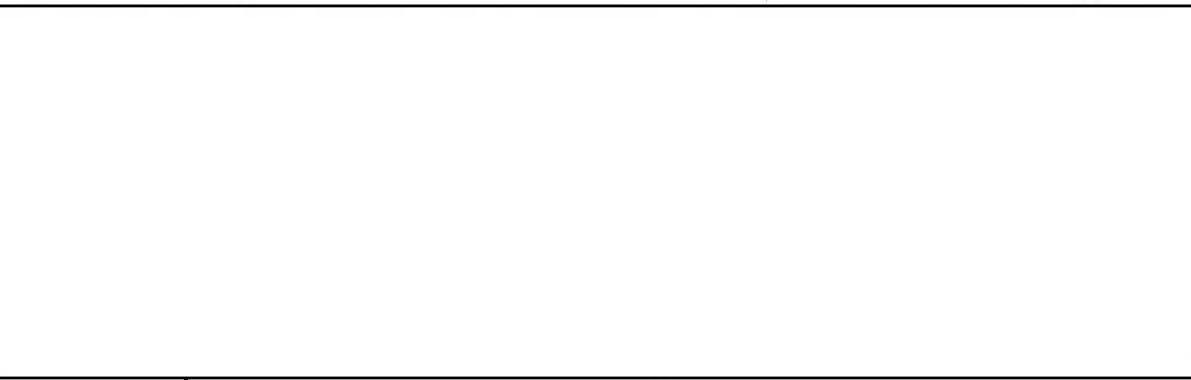
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6. Shui-Yeh Iron Plant - Located 11 nm west of An-Yang, this relatively small plant has direct rail connection to the An-Yang Iron and Steel Plant, (Figure 7).

7. An-Yang Airfield - Located on the northern outskirts of An-Yang, this minor airfield has a runway of 4800 feet and apparently has changed little since World War II, (Figure 8).

8. Feng-Feng Coal Fields - Located approximately 10.15 miles west of Ma-Tou this large coal mining area has expanded greatly in recent years. Many new mines and several miles of new rail lines are evident, (Figures 2 and 9).

9. Wu-An Storage Area - A rail-served secure storage area containing 36 buildings, each approximately 150 feet by 50 feet, is located 2 nm southeast of Wu-An (Figure 10).



No missile or nuclear energy association can be related to the above installations, however their presence could account for the appearance of military engineer units in the area of Ma-Tou.

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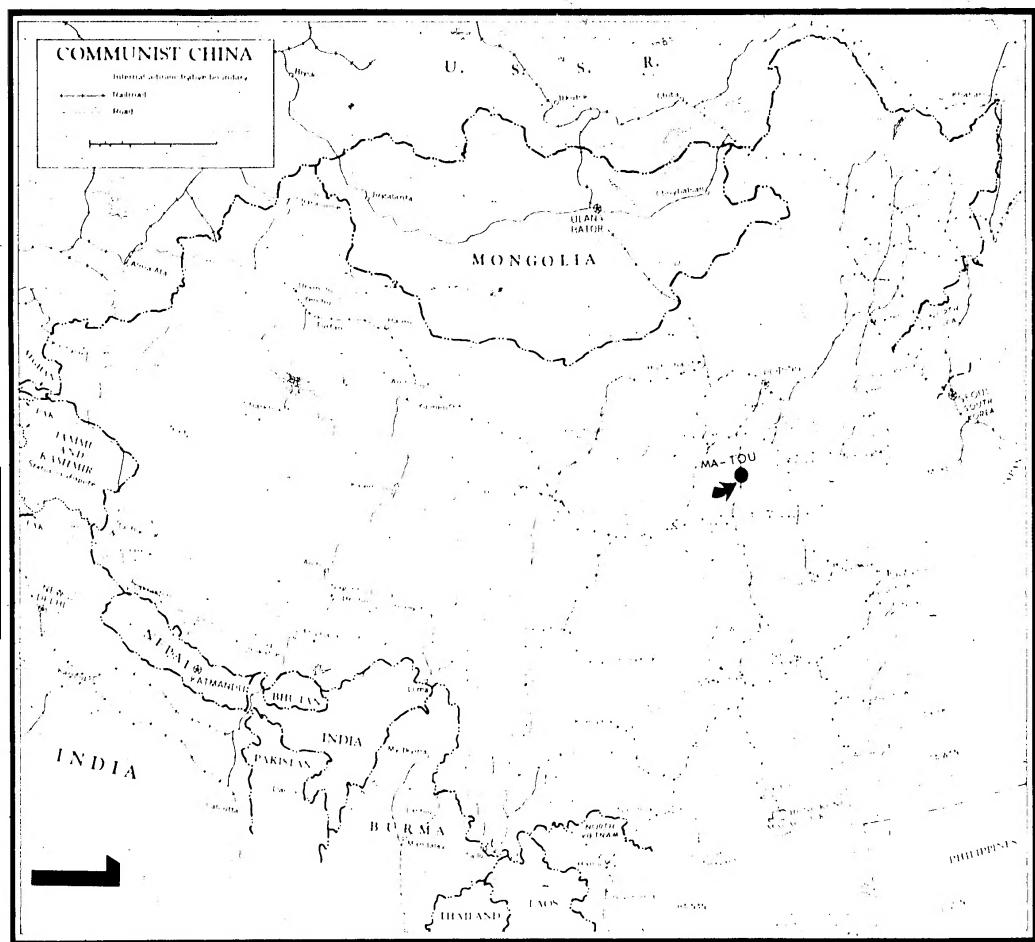
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